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Cal Poly Floral Design Teams Wins National Competition

SAN LUIS OBISPO - Cal Poly's student chapter of the American Institute of Floral Designers recently won first place in a national competition held during the organization's convention in New York.

The Cal Poly student team includes horticulture and crop science student CeCe Carreno from Lompoc; horticulture and crop science major Jennifer Hart, Hesperia; agribusiness student Katie Noonan, Santa Rosa; horticulture and crop science student Liz Brown, Orland; agricultural science students Anna Villalobos, Valley Central; agricultural science student Christine Lancaster, Tulare; and crop science major Dana Cozzitorto, Gustine.

A total of 49 contestants from 13 schools competed. San Francisco City College placed second, and Texas A& M took third place.

Cal Poly team members placed in all of the competition's five categories: Carreno placed first and Noonan placed 10th in the Sympathy Design category; Noonan placed first, Hart placed 10th, and Carreno placed 13th in Hospital Design; Brown placed third and Hart, fourth in Flowers to Wear; Noonan placed 8th and Hart placed 16th in Bridal Bouquet; and Noonan placed third and Hart placed 8th in Overall.

Cal Poly's Floral Design Team is coached Horticulture and Crop Science faculty member Melinda Lynch.

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Editors please note: for to receive a .jpg photo of the team in New York, contact Teresa Hendrix at thendrix@calpoly.edu.

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